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SUBJECT: S&T AGREEMENT: CHEMICAL CATALYSIS: HOSPITALIZATION OF
PROF. LUSS

REF: STATE 146660

1. PROF. DAN LUSS, WHO WAS MEMBER OF BALDESCHWIELER
DELEGATION TO USSR ON SUBJECT PROJECT HAS BEEN HOSPITALIZED
IN LENINGRAD FOLLOWING SEVERE VOMITING AND INTESTINAL
BLEEDING. (HE LOST OVER HALF-LITER OF BLOOD.) REMAINDER
OF DELEGATION HAS ALREADY DEPARTED, EXCEPT FOR HARMON RAY,
WHO HAS STAYED TO LOOK AFTER LUSS. POST MEDICAL OFFICER
IS IN CONSULTATION WITH PATIENT, WHO IS IMPROVING, AND PLANS
TO TRAVEL TO LENINGRAD WEDNESDAY EVENING, JULY 24, TO EXAMINE
PATIENT AND MAKE DECISION WHETHER HE CAN SAFELY BE TRANS-
PORTED AT THIS TIME TO FRANKFURT FOR ACCURATE DIAGNOSIS
AND FURTHER HOSPITALIZATION. (FYI: PARENTS OF LUSS NOW
IN FRANKFURT.) POST MEDICAL OFFICER WOULD ACCOMPANY
LUSS TO FRANKFURT WITH BLOOD SUBSTITUTE IN EVENT
EMERGENCY ARISES REQUIRING ANOTHER TRANSFUSION DURING
TRAVEL.

2. REQUEST FUND CITATION AUTHORIZING TRAVEL OF POST
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3. WIFE OF LUSS HAS ALREADY BEEN INFORMED.

4. FYI: SOVIET SURGEON IN LENINGRAD ADVISES THAT LUSS
SHOULD REMAIN IN HOSPITAL FOR TEN DAYS OR MORE, BUT
EMBASSY WOULD LIKE TO EVACUATE HIM AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE SINCE
SOVIETS HAVE NOT YET MADE POSITIVE DIAGNOSIS BUT PLAN TO OPERATE
IF BLEEDING RECURS. STOESEL

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